The Strange Tales of Oscar Zahn

THE LAST SOLDIER OF SOMME

ACT 3

CHAPTER 4

OH GOD!
THIS THING NEVER DIES!!!
I THOUGHT I VAPORIZED IT WHEN I SHOT THE BOMB BACK THERE!
NO.
IT CANNOT BE KILLED BECAUSE IT NEVER LIVED.

IT HUNTS AND TORMENTS US. SHADOWS OF MEN WE MAY BE BUT STILL THE MEMORY OF LIFE CLINGS TO US.
AND IT DESPISES US FOR IT.

SARGE! WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT???
LONG IS THE EVERLASTING NIGHT. HOW FAR DOTH THE MORN-
I CAN'T UNDERSTAND A THING YOU ARE SAYING!

WHAT DO WE GOTTA DO TO TAKE THIS THING OUT???

TO THE SHADOWS WE MUST FLY.
FLEE.
WE MUST FLEE.

IT IS THE ADVERSARY.

HEY! DON'T LEAVE ME HERE ALONE WITH THIS THING!
GUYS! COME BACK!

WHERE DO YOU EXPECT ME TO RUN TO???

WAIT A SECOND...
I GUESS I'M A GHOST TOO...

MAYBE I CAN DO THAT DISAPPEARING INTO THE SHADOWS THING...
URK!

WHY'S EVERYBODY GOT GHOST POWERS BUT ME???

BOY!
STUPID BOY!
THIS WAY.
UP THE STAIRS!

A... A TALKING BIRD?

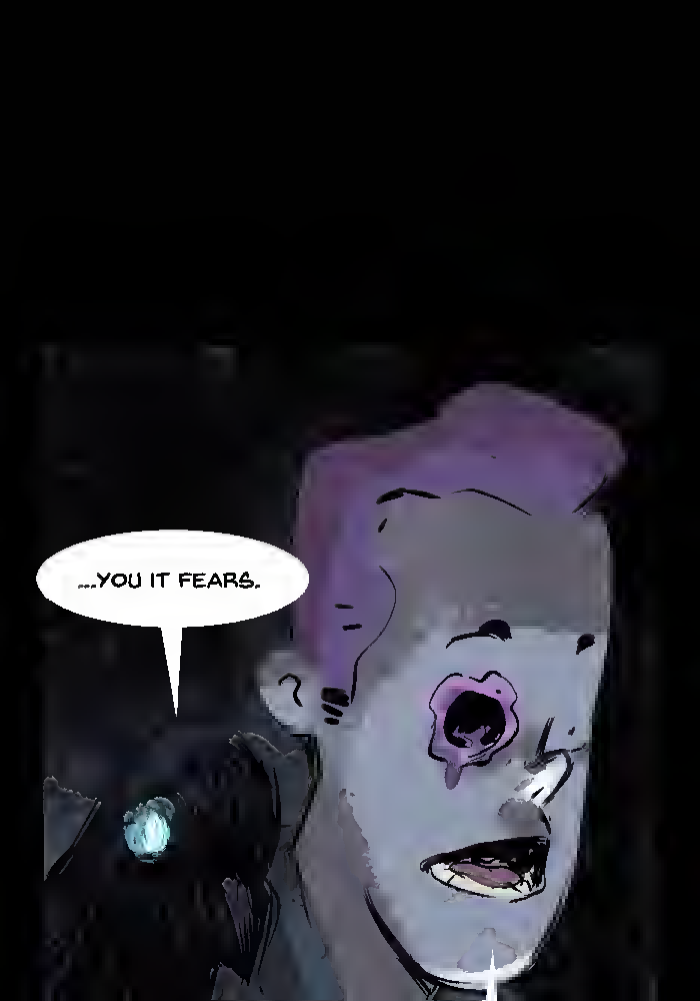
ON ANY OTHER DAY THAT WOULD BE REALLY WEIRD!
HOLD ON! I'M COMING!

CHARLIE HARPER, YOUR AFTERLIFE IS IN PERIL.
OUR MUTUAL FRIEND IS NO LONGER WITH US. YOU MUST FACE THIS ORDEAL ALONE.
YOU MEAN THAT THING DOWN THERE? WHAT THE HELL IS IT?
SARGE.. AT LEAST I THINK THAT WAS SARGE.. HE CALLED IT THE ADVERSARY.

HEH.
AN APT NAME I SUPPOSE. AS GOOD A NAME AS ANY FOR SOMETHING BIRTHED AMID THE SCREAMS OF THE DYING.

LOOK NOW, WITH EYES UNCLOUDED
IT IS THE OTHER. IT IS THAT FEAR OF ALL THAT IS DIFFERENT FROM US.
IT IS RAGE WITHOUT REASON.
IT HAS NO WILL OF ITS OWN. ITS SOLE EXISTENCE

IS TO FEED UPON OUR LUST FOR VIOLENCE.
AND SO, IT KEEPS YOUR FRIENDS TRAPPED HERE, SO IT MAY CONTINUE TO NOURISH ITSELF ON AN ENDLESS CONFLICT.
BUT YOU, CHARLIE...


...YOU IT FEARS.

LOOK! SOMETHING'S COMING OUT OF IT! IS.. IS THAT...
HEH. WELL.. WELL..
AGNES!
CHARLIE!

IT'S ME...

OSCAR!

TO BE CONTINUED...

AUTHOR'S NOTE:

WELCOME BACK EVERYBODY! HOPEFULLY THE REVELATIONS THIS WEEK WILL HAVE ANSWERED SOME QUESTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN LINGERING FOR A WHILE. WE ARE FAST APPROACHING THE END OF THIS STORYLINE BUT DON'T WORRY, THERE'S MUCH MORE TO COME! IF ALL GOES ACCORDING TO PLAN, THIS STORY WILL BE WRAPPED UP BY CHRISTMAS AT WHICH POINT I WILL BE TAKING A SHORT HIATUS TO PLAN WHAT'S TO COME. I WILL DEFINATELY HAVE MORE TO SHARE IN THE COMING WEEKS. THANKS ONCE AGAIN FOR READING AND FOR ALL THE COMMENTS! KEEP 'EM COMING!

AND FINALLY, A BIG THANK YOU TO SOME NEW PATREON SUPPORTERS:

BRIELLE H.
JACOB A.

THANKS FOR KEEPING THE COMIC ALIVE!

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